

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1.-9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently amended) The method of Claim 9, A method of selecting among a plurality of alert conditions for processing with a resource management system, the method comprising:
associating a priority indication with at least some physical resources in a computer system;

identifying the physical resources associated with the plurality of alert conditions; and
selecting an alert condition from among the plurality of alert conditions based on the priority indication associated with the identified physical resources;

determining when a threshold metric associated with at least some of the plurality of alert conditions has been satisfied, wherein the selecting the alert condition from among the plurality of alert conditions based on the priority indication associated with the identified physical resources is carried out responsive to the determination that the threshold metric has been satisfied;

wherein said determining when a threshold metric associated with at least some of the plurality of alert conditions has been satisfied comprises includes determining when a number of queued alert conditions for the resource management system satisfies a threshold number.

11. (Currently amended) The method of Claim 9, A method of selecting among a plurality of alert conditions for processing with a resource management system, the method comprising:

associating a priority indication with at least some physical resources in a computer system;

identifying the physical resources associated with the plurality of alert conditions; and
selecting an alert condition from among the plurality of alert conditions based on the priority indication associated with the identified physical resources;

determining when a threshold metric associated with at least some of the plurality of alert conditions has been satisfied, wherein the selecting the alert condition from among the plurality of alert conditions based on the priority indication associated with the identified physical resources is carried out responsive to the determination that the threshold metric has been satisfied;

wherein said determining when a threshold metric associated with at least some of the plurality of alert conditions has been satisfied ~~comprises~~ includes determining when a waiting time for alert conditions to be handled by the resource management system satisfies a threshold time.

12. (Currently amended) The method of Claim 9, A method of selecting among a plurality of alert conditions for processing with a resource management system, the method comprising:
associating a priority indication with at least some physical resources in a computer system;
identifying the physical resources associated with the plurality of alert conditions; and
selecting an alert condition from among the plurality of alert conditions based on the priority indication associated with the identified physical resources;
determining when a threshold metric associated with at least some of the plurality of alert conditions has been satisfied, wherein the selecting the alert condition from among the plurality of alert conditions based on the priority indication associated with the identified physical resources is carried out responsive to the determination that the threshold metric has been satisfied;

wherein said determining when a threshold metric associated with at least some of the plurality of alert conditions has been satisfied ~~comprises~~ includes determining when a threshold rate of alert conditions ~~are~~ is received for the resource management system.

13.-20. (Canceled)